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- DECISION -

Decision No.:

385-BR-89

Date:

May 11, 1989

Claimant:

Beverly A. Cook

Appeal No.:

8901975

S. S. No .:

Employer:

Baltimore School Teachers

L. O. No.:

Appellant:

**EMPLOYER** 

Issue:

Whether the claimant is eligible for benefits within the meaning of Section 4(f) of the law.

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## - APPEARANCES-

FOR THE CLAIMANT:

FOR THE EMPLOYER:

REVIEW ON THE RECORD

Upon review of the record in this case, the Board of Appeals affirms the decision of the Hearing Examiner.

The claimant received, at the beginning of the summer vacation, a letter terminating her permanently from employment. Subsequently, during the summer, she received various invitations to apply for other jobs. Although she was qualified for these jobs, the invitations required her to undergo redundant extensive coursework and testing in or to be eligible to apply for the new position. The claimant was later sent additional letters reinstating her conditionally, but with inappropriate conditions attached. She was later sent a letter offering her a job for which she was not qualified. This offer was withdrawn on August 31. On that date, however, she was finally unconditionally offered a job for which she was qualified.

As the representative from the City of Baltimore acknowledged at the hearing, the personnel office sends "the same doggone letter to everybody; they put it in the computer; it might not pertain to you." This couldn't be more obvious from the instant case. No serious person could argue that this succession of erroneous, incorrect and inappropriate letters constitutes a "reasonable assurance" of returning to work.

Fortunately for the claimant, she did return to work, but the Board concludes that she had no reasonable assurance of doing so until the day she actually began teaching again.

## DECISION

The claimant had no reasonable assurance of continued employment from her separation date in June of 1988 until August 31, 1988, under Section 4(f) of the Maryland Unemployment Insurance Law. No disqualification from the receipt of benefits under Section 4(f) is appropriate between these dates.

The decision of the Hearing Examiner is affirmed.

Chairman

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